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<b>REPLY/AMENDMENT FEE TRANSMITTAL</b>	Attorney Docket No.	1405.1050	
	Application Number	09/961,181	
	Filing Date	September 24, 2001	
	First Named Inventor	Takuro IKEDA et al.	
	Group Art Unit	3629	
AMOUNT ENCLOSED	0.00	Examiner Name	Traci L. CASLER

**FEE CALCULATION (fees effective 09/30/07)**

CLAIMS AS AMENDED	Claims Remaining After Amendment	Highest Number Previously Paid For	Number Extra	Rate	Calculations
TOTAL CLAIMS	10	- 20 =	0	X \$ 50.00 =	\$ 0.00
INDEPENDENT CLAIMS	4	- 8 =	0	X \$ 210.00 =	0.00

Since an Official Action set an original due date of February 27, 2008, petition is hereby made for an extension to cover the date this reply is filed for which the requisite fee is enclosed (1 month (\$120)); (2 months (\$460)); (3 months (\$1,050)); (4 months (\$1,640)); (5 months (\$2,230)):

If Notice of Appeal is enclosed, add (\$510.00)

If Statutory Disclaimer under Rule 20(d) is enclosed, add fee (\$130.00)

Information Disclosure Statement (Rule 1.17(p)) (\$180.00)

Total of above Calculations = \$ 0.00

Reduction by 50% for filing by small entity (37 CFR 1.9, 1.27 & 1.28)

**TOTAL FEES DUE =** \$ 0.00

(1) If entry (1) is less than entry (2), entry (3) is "0".

(2) If entry (2) is less than 20, change entry (2) to "20".

(4) If entry (4) is less than entry (5), entry (6) is "0".

(5) If entry (5) is less than 3, change entry (5) to "3".

**METHOD OF PAYMENT**

- ☐ Check enclosed as payment.
- ☐ Charge "TOTAL FEES DUE" to the Deposit Account No. below.
- ☒ No payment is enclosed.

**GENERAL AUTHORIZATION**

- ☒ If the above-noted "AMOUNT ENCLOSED" is not correct, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to credit any overpayment or charge any additional fees necessary to:
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| Deposit Account No.  | 19-3935            |
| Deposit Account Name | STAAS & HALSEY LLP |
- ☒ The Commissioner is also authorized to credit any overpayments or charge any additional fees required under 37 CFR 1.16 (filing fees) or 37 CFR 1.17 (processing fees) during the prosecution of this application, including any related application(s) claiming benefit hereof pursuant to 35 USC § 120 (e.g., continuations/divisionals/CIPs under 37 CFR 1.53(b) and/or continuations/divisionals/CPAs under 37 CFR 1.53(d)) to maintain pendency hereof or of any such related application.

**SUBMITTED BY: STAAS & HALSEY LLP**

Typed Name	Luminita A. Todor	Reg. No.	57,639
Signature		Date	Feb. 27, 2008



**RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR §1.116**  
**BOX AF**  
**EXPEDITED PROCEDURE**  
**EXAMINING GROUP 3629**  
Docket No.: 1405.1050

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re the Application of:

Takuro IKEDA et al.

Serial No. 09/961,181

Group Art Unit: 3629

Confirmation No. 7175

Filed: September 24, 2001

Examiner: Traci L. CASLER

For: INFORMATION GATHERING METHOD AND SYSTEM

**RESPONSE AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION**

**UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.116**

**EXPEDITED PROCEDURE**

Commissioner for Patents  
PO Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed November 27, 2007, and having a period for response set to expire on February 27, 2008.

Applicants respectfully request entry of this Rule 116 Response and Request for Reconsideration because the amendment(s) were not earlier presented because the Applicants believed in good faith that the cited prior art did not disclose the present invention as previously claimed. Additionally, the claim amendments should not entail any further search by the Examiner since no new features are being added or no new issues are being raised.

The following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted. Reconsideration of the claims is respectfully requested.